

Our Team

Our ability to deliver outstanding results and services for our clients starts with our team of smart, capable and experienced managers. We come from a diverse set of experience and backgrounds in the Pacific and all over the world. We pride ourselves on our strategic, integrated approach to delivering innovative and structured solutions that meet clients expectations. Get to know your BRED Bank Team below.



OWEN THOMSON - *Chief Executive Officer*

Owen, CEO of BRED Bank Solomon, joined BRED Bank Group in 2016 to start the subsidiary in Solomon Islands. He has over 35 years in the Banking industry, with more than 20 years in the South Pacific, including 11 years in Solomon Islands. Results- oriented executive with a strong background in management, business development, finance and retail banking. Owen has completed over 40 Bank Internal Training courses between 1982 and 2016 and attended the Executive Management Program conducted by HEC Paris (#1 French Business School). Owen has a passion to assist Solomon Islands fulfill its huge potential.

PIERRE-ANTOINE VALLET - *Chief Operations Officer*

Pierre-Antoine joined BRED Bank Solomon in January 2019 as Chief Operating Officer and Deputy CEO. He has been working in the Banking Industry for 20 years. Specialized in project management and risks in emerging countries, he has been working for ten years in BPCE Group in various places and he was with Bred Vanuatu for the last three years. In charge of Finance and Operations departments, Pierre-Antoine's priority is to structure processes and product development in order to ensure the highest quality of service to the bank's clients.



LEPANI MAKUBUNA - *Head of Business*

Lepani joined BRED Bank Solomon on January 2020 as our Head of Business. He has 25 years of experience within the Banking and Lending Institutions namely Fiji Development Bank, Merchant Bank, ANZ Pacific Operations and Westpac. He last worked as Manager Credit and Area Manager East Commercial Banking for ANZ and Westpac respectively. Given his 20 years of Management and Leadership exposure and having both frontline and back office experiences, Lepani knows what it takes to develop and engage a team to deliver exceptional customer experience and at the same time achieve the desired company goals.



CHARISHMA KUMAR - *Head of Treasury*

Charishma, Head of Treasury joined BRED Bank Solomon in January 2019. She comes to BRED Bank with a wealth of Banking Industry experience with decade long experience in Treasury. Along with key leadership roles she specializing in corporate foreign exchange risk & corporate relationship management. She also has gained extensive knowledge of public & private sector in the various areas related to payments and foreign exchange needs and holds a Master of Commerce in Economics. In her role as the Head of Treasury she is responsible for corporate liquidity, investments and corporate foreign exchange risk management and international funds flow.



ROB BOCHMAN - *Head of Retail*

Rob counts for over 35 years banking and consultancy experience with over 17 years experience in various Pacific countries. Titles have ranged from Business Manager, Credit Administration Manager, Senior Relationship Manager and Manager International in Corporate, International and Retail settings across two continents. As Head of Retail Rob is now responsible for your Retail experience building our future together and realising your potential in growing with BRED bank.



KINSY OSMAN - *Marketing Manager*

Kinsy joined Bred Bank Solomon early 2019 as the Project and Marketing Manager after 3 years at BRED Bank Paris. She holds a Master in Finance, with a sub-specialization in financial markets and risk Management. Kinsy has an international experience after been working in the Middle East, United States and Europe for big institutions such as IFC in the financial services area and business development. Adept at working effectively to achieve goals both as a cross-functional team member and individual contributor.



CRAYFORD LAURA - *Senior Relationship Manager*

Crayford joined BRED Bank Solomon team before its opening in 2017 as Senior Relationship Manager. He has more than 13 years of experience in the banking sector and has worked in various departments such as sales, collections, asset management, and relationship banking. Over the years, he has established good working relationships with local companies and has an in-depth knowledge of the country's industries and networking. Winning new customers while meeting the expectations of existing customers is one of his priorities.



MOSTYN PRANA - *Senior Relationship Manager*

Mostyn joined Bred Bank Solomon at its beginnings as Senior Relationship Manager. He has over 12 years working in the Banking & Finance sector and has specialized in the relationship management of Corporate and Commercial clients. Working with the Business Banking team, Mostyn is mindful, first and foremost of the customer's needs, wants aspirations and expectations of their banks. He strives to bring you exceptional customer service and offers you possible advices, funding assistance through loans, on your business banking, developments and investment needs.